

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 6 of the specification as follows:

--This application is a continuation-in-part of prior U.S. Patent Application Serial No.   /  ,    filed No. 10/638,921 filed by the present inventor on August 11, 2003 and entitled "*Secure Smartcard Sleeve*". The   /  ,    ("*Secure Smartcard Sleeve*") The 10/638,921 application is incorporated herein by reference.--